REMARKS

Claims 1 to 3, 5 to 9 and 11 to 27 are pending. Claims 19 to 27 are new.

No claims are allowed.

- 1. The Applicants would like to thank Examiners Matthew Lawson and Thomas Barrett for the time they took on Tuesday, October 6, 2009 to interview with their attorney and company representative Patrick White regarding the merits of the pending claims. The substance of the meeting is essentially as set forth in the Interview Summary.
- 2. Claims 1, 7, 14, 20, 22 and 23 have been amended to more clearly define the longitudinal axes of the respective complex apertures. This amended claim language was agreed to at the above referenced interview.

It is believed that claims 1 to 3, 5 to 9 and 11 to 27 are now in condition for allowance. Notice of Allowance is requested.

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